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The Daily Press.

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When Dr. Morrison, lately returned to Peking after a visit to this end of the Chinese Empire, gets his copy of the *Times* dated March 8th, we fear he will experience something like a shock. When he arrived at Hanoi after his interesting overland journey, he sent an expensive telegram for which any other correspondent of any other paper would doubtless have received a "winking." Professionally jaded, it was a sort of make-weight message, not worth the expense. To the ordinary reader it is certainly an interesting sketch of an unusual trip, and every paragraph of it forms part of a faithful, if somewhat colourless, picture of the situation existing in the area traversed. Not having to pay the telegraphic charges for it, we have no fault to find with it whatever. With the editorial supposed to be based upon it, however, and the reckless conclusions therein drawn, we cannot express equal satisfaction, and Dr. Morrison in the seduction of his Peking library may not improbably give vent to comments more vigorous than we need or care to make. It would be no business of ours at all, were it not for the fact that so many people at home trust the "Thunderer," especially those who know how reliable a narrator its Peking correspondent is. Many of these will fail to notice that the *Times* has said things not warranted by Dr. Morrison's less gushing comments, and things more optimistic than we have thought it just to write for the consumption of our European readers. Thus we feel justified in drawing attention, in the interests of accuracy, to the discrepancy between the correspondent's facts and the leader-writer's embroideries. Dr. Morrison said his journey was a very

pleasant one, the officials and people friendly, and that he met not the smallest disagreeable incident. Upon this the *Times* assures its readers that any stranger, if he knows local manners and character as Dr. Morrison does (in which case he would hardly be a "stranger") may pass through Hunan and Kwangsi "in perfect comfort" and safety. The safety may be temporarily granted, but the other phrase conveys a quite misleading idea of present day travel in inland China. Its conditions are very slowly improving, but they are still far from the perfection stated. That is a minor point, however. Our illustrious contemporary goes on to explain that because Dr. Morrison was not molested, a "change in the whole mental attitude of the Chinese" is indicated. This is exaggeration unworthy of such a journal's pre-book-club reputation. It admits that "shrewd and experienced observers" have thought they discerned in "the reform movement" a "strong and dangerous anti-foreign bias," but Dr. Morrison's evidence (that he was not molested) "tends to throw doubt upon this view." Perhaps the pessimists have been sending exaggerated stories home, for this leader-writer evidently holds the impression that the usual incidents of a journey across China were stones and staves or worse. Undoubtedly many Chinese now believe that "foreign influence and foreign learning must play a great part in the regeneration of their country," but there are as many who desire to dispense with the foreigner as soon as they have learned what they want to know. As it is, Dr. Morrison's message made it clear that most of the thirst for foreign knowledge that he noted was being taken to Chinese and Japanese teachers for assuagement. Though he used the phrase "spread of Western education," the traveller noted that it was "defective compared with our standard," and he said nothing of the motives with which it is being sought. "Everywhere was noticeable the desire to learn English," but that is not necessarily what the *Times* calls "the zeal for European methods." The young man in Hongkong who learns Cantonese does not do so because he is a convert to native methods, but because he thinks it will facilitate business with the people who speak it. This desire to learn English has been noticeable for a long time before Dr. Morrison made his last trip, and has been held to account largely for the apparent successes which have raised the hopes of missionaries. A writer some years ago remarked that it was unnecessary for Englishmen to learn European languages. He said the Englishman had only to travel round holding up a sovereign, and the various peoples would make it their business to learn English in order to ask him for it. The little parable is not implicable to the Chinese appetite for foreign "education," by which they chiefly mean the language or languages. It is true they are now studying other things, foreign history, and politics, and science. Dr. Morrison mentioned that also, but he never said, and would not dream of saying, such things as this extract contains:

"Hitherto education has been education in the Chinese classics. Even the most accomplished of the native scholars have had no more conception of the rudiments of scientific astronomy and geography or of the conformation and functions of the organs of the human body than the most primitive of the islanders in the Pacific or of the negroes in Central Africa. The Renaissance and the Reformation together have brought no such shock to the received ideas of medieval Europe as instruction in modern science is bringing to the Chinese. Both of those great movements were gradual and at first affected a limited class, from which they filtered down to the people. But in China the light has been flashed upon comparatively large masses of the nation together. It will be of deep interest to see the effect of so sudden and so fierce an illumination on the habits and character of a people whose whole civilization and ethics have hitherto depended in an exceptional degree upon habit."

The Chinese have had their astronomical instruments, rather better than rudimentary, and their maps, and physiological charts of a sort; and we are surprised to find the *Times* venturing to compare them with "the most primitive of the islanders in the Pacific." There is a good deal more in the article, but we will not go further with it. The point to note is that it is too soon to talk of this mental revolution of the Chinese, if it ever will be time. Here and there, and in constantly increasing numbers, we admit, our neighbours are revising by means of foreign text books their notions of physiology, &c., but whether the British Board School boy who believes the seat of the emotions is in the skull has any political advantage over the Chinese who thinks they originate in the belly, is to us a matter of doubt. Chinese politics and Chinese relations with the outside world concern us most at present, and it is a mistake to encourage home-dwellers to think that there

has been any material change. They are already too apt, when a competent observer like Dr. Morrison remarks that the new Chinese soldiers are a great improvement on the old "Braves," to run away with the idea that he means the Army of Asia is organized, efficient, and mobilized.

Captain E. W. S. Mahon, R.E., has been nominated for services in Hongkong.

A Holborn firm advertised for a woman typist, offering a salary of 15s. a week. They received 397 replies.

Information has been received from the Madras Government to the effect that Hongkong has been declared an infected port by all the uninfected ports of the Madras Presidency.

The annual concert in aid of the Y.M.C.A. Library Fund is announced to take place at the City Hall on Saturday the 13th inst. Many of our best known vocalists are contributing to the programme, and the concert is being held under the patronage of H.E. the Governor.

It was a singular coincidence that the pirate chief Yuan, the terror of the West River, was only captured two days before the date fixed by H.E. Viscount Chow Fu when the officers of the districts concerned were to be cashed unless the pirate was arrested.

The Swedish Government has just laid before the Parliament a proposal to remove the naval station now at Stockholm to Liding Island, which is in the neighbourhood of the Swedish capital. The cost of the removal would be £1,850,000, and the sum of £1,055,555 has been asked for; the Government asks for an immediate credit of £222,222 for the preliminary work.

A high class Gramophone, issued by Borrell Limited, London, entitled "Tempting Bait," which is a reproduction of the charming old painting that was exhibited in the Royal Academy in 1906 by Arthur J. Elsie, is given free in exchange for Gramophone records and bottles and jars of Borrell. Full particulars as to conditions of obtaining these pictures are given on the leaflets wrapped round the bottles and jars.

The Bandmann Comedy Company on their return from the north are to occupy the Theatre for a fortnight commencing on the 13th inst. It will be seen from the advertisement that nearly the whole of the pieces to be produced are new to Hongkong, and in view of the excellent impression made by the Company on their recent visit, they may feel assured of a successful season. The plan is open at Montreux & Co's.

Yesterday's Police Court calendar was lighter than it has been for some time, and the small number of petty cases with which their Worship had to deal was finished before eleven o'clock. Two natives, who were apparently desirous of increasing their wardrobe by appropriating clothing belonging to other people, were each sentenced to fifteen days' imprisonment, and four hours' stocks, while a third who was found guilty of a like offence was committed to jail for three weeks.

Here is a good cheer recipe that is guaranteed a sure cure for the "blues." Take a sheet of nice white paper, a well-sharpened pencil, and an odd quarter of an hour. Then write out every grievance, worry, and ailment you can possibly conceive of as pertaining to your woe-begone self. Do you know what will happen when you are through? A Paris hat to a hatter that you will burst out laughing as you haven't done for days.—Good Housekeeping.

General Kuropatkin's book on the war evokes some interesting commentaries. The editor of the *Novoye Vremya* discloses the substance of his conversations with General Kuropatkin and Count Witte. The former is alleged to be not only convinced that the war, if it had been continued, would have ended successfully, but that sooner or later the conflict will be renewed. The latter refutes these views by reminding the editor of the *Novoye Vremya* that Russia is unable to defeat Japan without a fleet. The *Sinco* publishes the significant statement that Russia is unable to reinforce Vladivostok except by sea, because she cannot transport additional men or munitions over the Manchurian railway.

As to Mr. Dickenson's Bill to enable women to vote at Parliamentary elections, the *Times* points out that "all who vote for it or against it will, at all events, vote with the knowledge that it has but the remotest chance of becoming law. It may, of course, pass the second reading; other measures with the same object have passed that stage before. But, however large may be the majority in its favour, it can go no further unless the Government decide to 'give facilities' for the remaining stages. Other measures block the way. A change of this magnitude ought not to be effected by a private member's Bill, and we have a reasonable confidence that it will not be so effected."

The arrival of Chinese troops as an army of occupation in Manchuria is raising serious anxiety at Vladivostok as to the future of that onlying region of the Russian Empire. A telegram received from Vladivostok says that the number of Chinese troops in Manchuria is to be raised to 30,000 men. The inhabitants of Vladivostok are becoming seriously alarmed as to their future, especially as the southern, or Chinese, bank of the Amur River is being peopled by Chinese in over-growing numbers, and the Russians fear that the Chinese will take their revenge, sooner or later, for Russia's terrible massacre of defenceless Chinese at Blagovestchensk a few years ago.

The Brazilian Government has placed the order for a *Dreadnought* battleship with Messrs. Vickers, Sons, and Maxim, at Barrow. The largest vessel ever built by the firm, she will be 500ft. long, with 32ft. beam, and will mount ten 12-inch guns, several guns of smaller calibre, and many quick-firing guns, and will be fitted with submerged torpedo tubes. She will be one of the most powerful afloat, and will embrace many new departures in warship construction.

The Amir is reported to have said, after reading the advance copies of some of the addresses proposed to be given to him in India, that he did not quite understand why the addresses-givers had heaped so much praise upon him when he and they were perfect strangers and when he had done for them nothing personally to deserve such encomiums. He therefore put them down either for insincere men or people who had some ulterior object in view.

"They've got fever, and small-pox will follow." Such was the diagnosis of a medical practitioner without legal qualifications when called in to attend four sick children at a house in Temple Street, Yau-mat. The quack's prognostication was right, but the father of the invalids was wrong in not reporting the matter to the authorities. For failing to do so he was charged before Mr. F. A. Hazland at the Police Court yesterday, and a fine of \$50 was imposed.

The German Admiralty has decided to increase the naval squadrons in the Far East and on the West Coast of Africa by one small cruiser for each. Last August a start was made with building the new *Marine School* at Flensburg-Mürwik, in Schleswig, and it has been decided to remove thither in 1909 the *Marine School* which is now at Kiel. The cost of the removal will be £100,000, and the school buildings at Kiel will be taken over in 1909 by the Inspectors of Naval Education and the Directors of the Naval Academy. At the same time the Midshipmen's Division is to be removed from the Kiel forts to Flensburg-Mürwik.

The death is announced as having taken place in Paris last month of Sir Francis Pinnock, formerly British Ambassador in Vienna, and one of the best-known diplomats of a former generation. The cause of death was heart failure, following a serious attack of influenza. Sir Francis was the ninth Earl of Fingall, and was born on February 3, 1835. Educated at Oscott, he entered diplomacy in 1855, and after having seen service in a number of different subordinate posts, he was promoted in 1883 to the rank of Minister at Tokyo, where he had already spent two years as Secretary of Legation some ten years earlier. After having been transferred successively in the same capacity to Stockholm and Brussels, he was appointed Ambassador at Vienna in 1900, and shortly afterwards made a Privy Councillor. He retired in 1905, having reached the age limit of seventy, and completed fifty years of distinguished service. He married in 1870 to May Tovey, daughter of Mr. C. W. Morgan, of Philadelphia, and had two daughters, one of whom is married to Count A. F. Gildenstolpe, Swedish Minister at St. Petersburg.

The strange coincidence that Messrs. H. F. and H. C. Dickens, respectively father and son, should be on opposite sides in an ancient case recalls the little scene in Parliament when the first Sir Robert Peel and his son crossed swords. The sire had to present a petition from the merchants of London against certain currency reforms; his son was chairman of the committee which had the proposals in hand. The old man, who was much moved, declared of his son that "though he is deviating from the proper path in this instance, his head and heart are in the right place, and I think they will soon recall him to the right way." The future Premier answered, in referring to the delicate position in which he was placed in opposing himself to an authority to which he had always bowed from his youth up, and to which he hoped always to bow with deference, and that he had now a great public duty imposed upon him, and, whatever his private feelings, from that duty he must not shrink.

The *New York Herald* is of opinion that owing to the foresight and energy of the Admiralty and Parliament, no other country may expect to approach Great Britain in the construction of *Dreadnoughts*. "By 1910 the British Navy will probably own seven *Dreadnoughts*, in addition to the three new battle cruisers of the *Invincible* class, which constitute the naval surprise of the season. A year later France hopes to have two great ships, the *Danton* and the *Mirabeau*, and Germany, in addition to a 'monster cruiser,' is planning for completion in 1911 of four of the latest design, now 'projected.' Russia and Italy are for the moment out of the game, but Japan, that is to characteristic insight and initiative, promises to have in commission by 1910 two vessels akin in principle and possibly larger in displacement than the *Dreadnoughts*. So far (i.e., the United States) are in the stage of expectation. It is quite true that the South Carolina and the Michigan, nominally of 16,600 tons, will prove not later than 1909 to be notable additions to the fleet. The rest depends on this Congress. If another ship be added to the one authorized in its first Session, we should rejoice somewhat about 1910 or 1911 in two of the best afloat. This means we will at the selected date be far behind England, well to the rear of Germany, and probably a little superior to France and Japan."

TELEGRAMS.

["DAILY PRESS" EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.]

KING OF ROUMANIA.

LONDON, April 4th.

The King of Roumania's health has failed and his condition is critical.

[King Charles, the second son of Prince Charles Antoine of Hohenzollern-Sigmaringen, was born on 20th April, 1839 (old style). He was elected hereditary prince in 1881, and was proclaimed King of Roumania by the vote of both chambers in March, 1881, being crowned a few months later. His consort Elizabeth is Carmen Sylva whose charming writings have a world-wide reputation. Doubtless the present unrest in the Kingdom has not been without its effect on His Majesty's health.]

GERMAN TORPEDO BASE.

LONDON, April 4th.

The German Government have decided to make Emden a torpedo base. [Emden a fortified seaport in Prussia is a progressive town and its admirable means of communication justify its selection.]

BRITAIN AND GERMANY.

LONDON, April 4th.

The Kaiser is to visit England in August.

AN IMPORTANT CONFERENCE.

Tokyo, April 4th.

The Conference opened to-day at Tokyo of the World's Student Christian Confederation. Twenty countries were represented. Greetings were received from King Haakon of Norway and President Roosevelt.

A SHANGHAI SENSATION.

SHANGHAI, April 4th.

During the small hours of this morning a discharged servant, who had formerly been charged at the Mixed Court, entered the bedroom of Mrs. Percebois and attacked her with a carving knife, inflicting serious injuries which however are not regarded as fatal. The miscreant escaped on hearing rescuers approach.

SHANGHAI POLICE SYSTEM.

SHANGHAI, April 4th.

The Municipal Council announces that the Committee to investigate the police requirements will consist of Judge Sausmarez, Messrs. Alex. McLeod, C. Brodersen, A.M. Marshall, L. J. Cubitt, C. W. Wrightson and C. M. Ede.

[REUTERS' SERVICE.]

ELECTRIC CAR ACCIDENT.

LONDON, April 2nd.

An electric car crowded with holiday-makers turned over between Croydon and Sutton while turning a sharp corner on a steep gradient. The passengers were shot into the road and thirty-five were injured, including many children.

THE STRIKE IN HAMBURG.

LONDON, April 2nd.

A hundred English strike-breakers in Hamburg were entered into the country and attacked by a crowd who pursued, and after savagely beating them, threw several into a canal. Twenty-five were injured.

EARTHQUAKE IN KURDISTAN.

LONDON, April 2nd.

A severe earthquake has occurred at Bitlis, and it is reported that several people have been killed and property damaged. Almost the entire town is encamped in the snow, amid incessant sleet, and there is much distress and poverty.

PRINCE FUSHIMI.

LONDON, April 2nd.

President Fallieres has given a luncheon in honour of Prince Fushimi.

STRIKE OF COLLIERIES AT PORT SAID.

LONDON, April 2nd.

A strike of colliers has taken place at Port Said and several ships are unable to leave.

THE WRECK OF THE "SUEVIC."

LONDON, April 2nd.

The *Suevic* wrecked on the Lizard on the 17th March, has been successfully blown up by dynamite. The vessel was blown into two parts, one of which 400 feet in length, is being towed to Plymouth.

SUPREME COURT.

Thursday, 4th April.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION
Before Mr. A. G. Wise (Puisne Judge).

A PARTNERSHIP DISPUTE.

The trial of the issue of partnership in the case of Fung Kat San, alias Fung Sam Ting, and the Kwong Fuk Cheong firm, was brought before the Court.

Mr. Daniel, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. F. X. d'Almeida e Castro represented the defendant. Mr. Daniel said that this was a further step in the action in which judgment had been given some time ago against the firm for the sum of \$300, and the case now was for a trial of the issue as to whether Fung Kat San, alias Fung Sam Ting, was a partner in the firm of Kwong Fuk Cheong.

Mr. d'Almeida e Castro said he would show that Fung Sam Ting was not Fung Kat San.

After hearing evidence, his Honour decided that plaintiff had not made out his case. It was clear that Fung Sam Ting was not a partner. The case was dismissed with costs against the plaintiff.

NEW GOVERNOR OF MACAO.

His Excellency Pedro D'Azeredo Coutinho, the new Governor of Macao, reached Hongkong on Wednesday by the Hamburg-America steamer "Rhenania," and was welcomed by Baron de Cadore, captain of the *Rio Lima*, Consul-General Sanhar Roman and Vice-Consul Leirip, who accompanied His Excellency and suite to the Hongkong Hotel where he took up his residence for a few days.

Yesterday His Excellency paid an official visit to Sir Matthew Nathan at Government House, and later in the afternoon the Governor, accompanied by his A.D.C., returned the call at the Hongkong Hotel. To-night Consul-General Sanhar Roman will entertain the Portuguese Governor, and on Saturday His Excellency will proceed to Macao. He will then take over the Government and the same evening will be entertained by the Local Senado.

THE JERVOIS STREET FIRE INQUIRY.

Referring to our report in yesterday's issue of the Jervois street fire inquiry, in which we said "The inquiry was called because the proprietors of the shop and Messrs. Wm. Meyerink and Co., agents for the Liverpool and London and Globe and Western Assurance Co., with which the stock was insured, could not agree as to the goods on the premises at the time of the fire," we are requested to rectify this statement. The fire inquiry is an official investigation into the circumstances of the fire, instituted by the Police, and is not held at the instigation of Insurance Companies.

H.K.C.C. TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

The Championship, Professional Pairs, Singles and Double Handicap draws have been made, and the lists may be seen on the Pavilion Notice Board. The first round must be completed by Wednesday, 10th April; the second by Saturday, 20th; the third by Saturday, 27th; the fourth by Saturday, 4th May; the fifth by Saturday, 11th; and the sixth by Saturday the 18th.

JUDGMENT RESERVED.

"VERY CAREFUL ATTENTION" PROMISED. The *Shanghai Mercury* with brief information of the typhoon inquiry report, says: "There was one point in the report as represented by the telegram, which, when the full text reaches us, will receive very careful attention in Shanghai. We refer to the apparent slight passed on the work of the Observatory at Sincawei. Till we are quite sure of our ground, we do not intend to deal definitely with this subject, but we may in the meantime point out the fact that an atmospheric disturbance was referred to by Sincawei immediately prior to the Hongkong typhoon, and that this reference was ignored by the southern meteorologists, for what reasons they ought to know best. But it does seem a passing strange that reflections of the kind telegraphed to us should have been permitted to appear in public respecting so useful an institution as that at Sincawei. It is quite unnecessary for us to say anything in defence of the work done by the Sincawei observatory, of science and of love. Most of us have studied the daily charts issued in connection with their weather prognostications, and have seen the results. Most of us, too, are aware of the immense amount of good done to the shipping world of the port by the assiduous attention to its interests given by the Observatory. We need say no more till the full text of the report is before us."

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—On the 4th at 11.30 a.m. a further increase of pressure has taken place over Japan, and a moderate decrease on the E. coast of China. The anticyclone, of considerable intensity is now lying over E. Japan, and an area of low pressure is advancing Eastward over the Yangtze valley. Moderate E. and S.E. winds are expected to prevail in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Sea. Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.0 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:—

Hongkong & Neighbourhood	E. to S.E. winds; moderate; fair.
Formosa Channel	Same as No. 1
South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamook	Same as No. 1
South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan	Same as No. 1

HOME AND CHINA AFFAIRS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

London, March 8th.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN'S HEALTH.

Mr. Chamberlain has gone to Valescure, a little suburb of San Raphael in the Riviera for a change of air. He is accompanied by his wife, and a staff of servants, who support him when he moves about. The journey was intended to be conducted secretly, and at different sections of the trip the assumed name of the traveller was changed, so as to put the inquisitive off the scent. He started from a little suburban station outside Birmingham, and his luggage was sent another way. Yet he is too well known a figure for even such intricate devices to cover, and before Dover was reached the newspapers were made aware of the trip. I happened to be in Paris when he passed through under the name of Mr. Cook, and a friend who was with me saw the distinguished statesman through the carriage window. He tells me that there is indeed a great change, for although the ex-Colonial Secretary was muffled up it was clear that his vigour was much impaired, and his eyes had lost a good deal of its former brightness. Nevertheless the Chamberlain family announces optimistic news of him every few days, and it is to be hoped that they are justified. Mr. Chamberlain says he is lunched with his father on his way through London and he was in very bright spirits. He admits however that his father will not appear in public for a considerable time to come. Reports from Valescure also state that satisfactory progress is being made, and Mr. Chamberlain takes daily drives and short walks, the latter with assistance. If the family wanted a quiet place for him they could hardly have selected one more conspicuously secluded—if the term will pass. The locality is not without its associations, for on the Gulf of Fiegus, on which Valescure is situated, was the birthplace of the Abbe Sieyès, the famous maker of paper constitutions in the great Revolution. His records did not avert the Great Terror, but that did not worry him, for he voted for the execution of the King, being very much of the temperament of the Vicar of Bray, as recorded in the song. It was from San Raphael also that Napoleon sailed for Elba.

MR. KENNETH SATOW SETTLES IN DEVON.

Sir Ernest Satow, having retired from the diplomatic service, has sought a retreat in the pleasant nook of Devonshire. He has taken Beaumont, Ottery St. Mary, for a term of years, and the place is being made ready for his residence.

LORD ELGIN AND THE COLONIES.

There is, I am assured, growing discontent among Labour and Liberal members in regard to Lord Elgin's administration at the Colonial Office. If no better understanding is come to soon I fancy there will be quite a little outburst in public. His treatment of those who appealed against the selection of members of the Upper House in the Transvaal Parliament has nettled those who do not favour the choice made by Lord Selborne. But that is only one trouble. Mr. Churchill gives the impression sometimes in replying to questions that he separates himself from the attitude of his chief. This may be to pacify the extremist critics, but it is very noticeable. Moreover, there is another section in the House, of quite a different type, who criticise the attitude of the Colonial Office towards the sufferers in the Jamaica earthquake, and regards it as lacking in sympathy, and remarkable for niggardliness.

PRINCE OF WALES "MOVING HOUSE."

It is believed that the Prince of Wales is about to move into new quarters, for his growing family necessitates more room being provided. The exact mansion has not yet been selected, but one or two places in the Midlands are mentioned, though a still stronger report refers to Somerton Hall in Suffolk, a fine place belonging to Sir Savile Crossley. When the choice is made, York Cottage, the Prince's present quarters, will revert to the purpose originally intended—to serve as bachelor quarters for guests visiting Sandringham.

GOVERNMENT AND PEERS.

The announcement that the Government cannot proceed at present with the fight against the Lords has amused Conservatives very much, and they scoff at the explanation that financial matters block the way. They attribute the change of attitude more to the Government defeat at Brigg, and the rout of the Progressives in the London County Council elections last Saturday. As a matter of fact the latter defeat has little to do with Imperial politics, and its significance is merely local, in my opinion. But it will certainly be beneficial in checking the growing tendency to embark on undertakings of speculative advantage, and involving the possible loss of great sums of public money. No, the immediate cause of the announcement is that the Government has unwisely overladen its programme, and the King's Speech forecast of legislation cannot be carried out in anything like its entirety. The Housing Bill for rural localities, and the Small Holdings Bill will probably be cast overboard, and others, including probably the Irish Universities Bill, may very likely follow. The Army Reform proposals, in addition to financial matters, will take up a big part of the time, and even an Autumn session will not suffice to carry all the Government is already pledged to do. Still many Liberals contend that the Premier should not have spoken so definitely about the House of Lords attack until he had all his weapons ready for the fray. As for the Conservatives, their attitude may be expressed as one of the broad grin.

L. C. C.

When I predicted nearly two months ago the defeat of the Progressives in the

London County Council elections I did not anticipate that their opponents would get a majority of 41. This amazing turnover, with only one gain to the Progressives in the whole of London, is the most remarkable result London has seen for years. This is the first time the Moderates have had a majority at all on the Council so they are for the most part new to the work, but there is no reason to suppose that now the elections are over the two parties will not work amicably together on general lines of policy so as to make the administration of London efficient, though on special matters there will be of course the usual marked divergences of opinion. The result is put down by many writers and politicians to the fact that the women electors polled in extraordinary numbers and with few exceptions voted for the Moderates. The London middle class voter of the female sex was aroused by the suffrage movement to a knowledge of her power as a voter. She knew the rates were high, and though she did not inquire why, she determined to vote against the men responsible. Moreover she regards the Progressives as Socialists, and the other side as more respectable. Take South St. Pancras for instance, where there are scores of women running boarding houses. The Moderates put up Mr. George Alexander, the actor manager, known often as the "ladies' pet," on account of his popularity with the fair sex. Why, he simply romped in at the head of the poll.

ROYAL VISITORS.

I am informed that we shall not see Prince Fushimi, the Japanese visitor to Europe, till about the middle of May, for first of all he will travel incognito on the Continent till our weather gets more settled. We have with us this week, however, the Dowager Empress of Russia. She has had a very cordial reception, but the police have taken extraordinary precautions to ensure her safety. I am assured, by the way, that our relations with Russia have not for very many years been so cordial as at present.

A COLONIAL BROKEN ENGAGEMENT.

Here is a new way of breaking an engagement, or at any rate of announcing the fact. Colonel Brocklehurst, M.P. for Manchester, went to a bazaar on Wednesday and publicly announced that his arranged marriage with Miss Edith Millicent Walton, of Dorset, Priory, Nailsworth, Gloucestershire, would not be carried through. "We came to the conclusion," he said, "that it is better to be unhappy for a short time than to be notified and be unhappy for a long time. So we agreed to break the engagement, and we parted the best of friends." If this method of announcing such matters becomes fashionable, bazzars will grow in interest, particularly in the small provincial towns where personal gossip is very nearly the staff of life.

"THERE IS NO END."

Still another book on the Far East. Mr. F. A. McKenzie, the well known war correspondent, has on the stocks a book to be entitled "The Unravelling East," in which he will enlarge on the conditions before and after the war, the alliance with Japan, and the changes which are taking place in the situation in the Chinese Empire.

CANADIAN RAILWAYS.

The progress of Canadian railway development is evidenced by the fact that in spite of the growing numbers of emigrants the supply of labour for the construction work is insufficient. The Grand Trunk railway is therefore about to obtain 20,000 railway labourers from Great Britain and Russia to push on the work. It would be better, the Manager says, to resort to Oriental labourers than to have the railway shortage prolonged, to the suffering of the growing numbers of settlers in the West. Moreover the various schemes for fast Atlantic services are being vigorously pressed on the authorities, and the day is near for great developments. All of which is of interest, as affecting the services to the Far East.

PEACE IN THE ORIENT.

If the Paris edition of the *New York Herald* is right, there should be no trouble in the Far East for a time, for the St. Petersburg correspondent of that paper declares that Great Britain, Russia, France and Japan have arrived at an agreement in regard to Far Eastern affairs which should make peace assured. The *New York Evening Post*, by the way, states that the Philippines are a most costly item for the United States and have made Uncle Sam pay up £61,000,000 since the Americans took possession of the islands. American exports to the Philippines last year amounted to £1,400,000, and a good many Americans are objecting to this expensive part of America's administration.

JOURNALISTS AT DINNER.

Mr. Thomas Catling, who has just resigned the editorship of *Lloyd's News*, was entertained at dinner the other night by a remarkable gathering of well-known newspaper men, as well as the Lord Mayor and other officials of the city. Lord Burnham, the proprietor of the *Daily Telegraph*, Mr. Catling, and others contributed newspaper reminiscences covering half a century.

ARE STOCKBROKERS GAMBLERS?

Some amusement was caused in the House of Commons on Thursday by a question put to the Home Secretary by Mr. Horatio B. Bromley as to whether the stockbrokers speculating in stocks and shares on the curb in Throgmorton Street did not come under the heading of gamblers and were not subject to the provisions of the Street Betting Act. Mr. Gladstone replied that the Act referred to betting on races only, and the only further satisfaction that Mr. Bottomley got was a suggestion that he himself should institute a prosecution. As Mr. Bottomley is a famous promoter of unsuccessful companies with a knack of soothing dissatisfied shareholders, the question coming from him had a certain amount of "nerve."

FUNNELS AND FLAGS.

PRIZE COURT DECISION.

The Liban Prize Court has decided the case of the German merchant vessel *Thetis*, which was sunk by a Russian cruiser during the Russo-Japanese war. The Court awarded damages of £45,000 to the owners of the *Thetis*, to be paid by the Russian Government.

BRITISH STEVEDORES FOR HAMBURG.

Owing to the unwillingness of the stevedores of Hamburg to sign an agreement regarding the performance of day and night work, the shipowners engaged 2,000 English stevedores, 800 of whom were to arrive on March 7th. They were to be quartered in war houses and in ships in the harbour to keep them from coming into contact with the local men.

COLOGNE A SEA-PORT.

For some time past the Cologne Chamber of Commerce has petitioned the Prussian Government to improve the shipping facilities at Cologne. It is now rumoured that the Prussian Government is working out a project both for deepening the bed of the river Rhine from its two arms, the Waal and the Rijn, which enter the North Sea through the Netherlands, up stream as far as Cologne, and also for converting the fortified capital of the Rhineland into a sea-port, which can be reached by sea-going vessels of small and medium draught. At this moment the Prussian Government is negotiating with the Netherlands Government.

SHIP'S REMARKABLE NON-STOP PASSAGE.

The *s.s. Goldmouth* arrived at Thames Haven last month after a passage from British Rapaui in the North Pacific, a distance of 12,053 miles, without a stop. The speed throughout the passage averaged over nine knots per hour. This is the first non-stop run made by this vessel whilst burning liquid fuel, the first being from Singapore to Rotterdam in May-June, 1906, the second from Singapore to Thames Haven in September-October, 1906, and the third as described above. The chief engineer of the ship is Mr. Conner, who has been in charge on all three occasions. The vessel, added the Press Association, belongs to Sir Marcus Samuel of the Shell Transport Company, whose superintending engineers are Messrs. Flannery, Bagley, and Johnson.

LONDON UNDERWRITERS AND THE "DAKOTA."

The London Marine Insurance Market reporter of the *Times* describes the loss of the *Dakota* and cargo as "one of the greatest single losses from which this market has ever suffered." Another paper remarks: "It is agreed on all hands that this is the biggest loss the marine insurance world has ever had, not only in amount, but in the area over which such a huge amount has had necessarily to be spread. The value of the hull and freight is over £500,000, and the cargo may be put at another £250,000, or three-quarters of a million. In view of this loss, underwriters are beginning to react their ideas as to the large lines they have been run on these ocean liners. They are now inclined to argue that a boat like the *Dakota*, with twelve lifeboats, will not be lost from collision, foundering, being abandoned, or missing, but from getting ashore, and off the chances of such a monster being got off are very remote."

CHINESE MARITIME AMBITIONS.

A contending London contemporary says: "If a project comes to maturity that has been set on foot by the Board of Post and Communications at Peking, China will shortly appear in a new light as an aspirant for a place amongst the maritime Powers of the world. The scheme of the Board—a Government department—is that a big line of Chinese steamships should be started, with regular services to the West, and that, moreover, there should be no foreign capital invested in the vessels. To start any new enterprise, however, is a thing that is more easily talked about than done, but the Board of Posts proposes to get over the obstacles by sending a commissioner to the Straits Settlements to secure monetary assistance from the Chinese merchants there, who are reputed to be very wealthy. The Throne has been approached for its approval of the plan."

UNITED STATES SUBSIDY BILL.

For nearly ten years a determined fight has been made for a Ship Subsidy Bill. The late Senator Hanna, backed by powerful interests, passed through the Senate a comprehensive Bill giving "a square deal" all round, but the opposition within the Republican party defeated it. The present Bill is only the shadow of the measure originally proposed and is really an ocean mail Bill pure and simple, and is really a provision for a naval reserve. The proposed services are seven in number—two from the Atlantic coast to Brazil and Argentina respectively, one from the Gulf coast to Panama, and four from the Pacific coast—namely, to Panama, Peru, and Chile; to Samoa, New Zealand, and Australia; to Japan, China, and the Philippines via Hawaii; and, fourthly, to the same places direct from the Northern coast. The total maximum cost of the service will be \$8,750,000 (£250,000) per annum. The opposition to this sort of legislation is so intense that it defies all the forces of the President, who sent a special Message to Congress urging the passage of the measure, and of Mr. Root, who has energetically advocated and defended it.

THE OPERATION OF SHIPPING "RINGS."

The Royal Commission on Shipping Contracts is again sat at Winchester House, St. James's-square, Mr. Arthur Cohen, K.C., presiding. The Commissioners are inquiring into the operation of shipping "rings," or combinations of shipowners, and more especially into the system of deferred rebates, and are to report whether such operations have caused or are likely to cause injury to British or Colonial trade, and if so, what remedial action, if any, should be taken by legislation or otherwise. Mr. Longdon, of Messrs. Behning and Co., said that he was deputed by the Manchester Chamber of Commerce to give information as to shipping rings and rebates, but he was not permitted to suggest a remedy. Mr. Longdon said that the shipping conferences were absolutely essential for the Eastern trade in order to fix freight rates. Their conference system did not make any difference as regarded foreign competition, because the Continental steamship companies were brought into line with them. All the large German lines were in the conference system. In reply to a question concerning the fact that the shipowners really at the mercy of the shipper, Mr. Longdon said that to meet merchants in conference with each other, it would be an advantage to both sides. He did not think they could fix rates by legislation. In transport, as in everything else, matters would find their own level, because if the rates of the combine were raised very high then independent lines would come in and convey the goods at a price which would enable the merchants to fix their rebate from the conference lines. With regard to the competition with the United States, so long as the latter kept up their present tariff and their boom in trade continued there would not be any competition. The cotton trade would have to fear Japan for the Eastern trade. The Commission adjourned till Tuesday next.

THE CABIN OF THE "TETARUS."

The Russian Government has at last been forced to reimburse the owner of a steamer sunk on sight by Russian warships during the

war, although the vessel was not carrying contraband. The steamer concerned is the German ship *Tetarus*, which was sunk by the Russian auxiliary cruiser *Rian* (ex-*Smolensk*) while on a voyage from Odessa to Tientsin with a cargo of railway sleepers. The cargo did not come within the provisions of contraband of war, and the German Foreign Office protested strongly to Russia against the sinking of the *Tetarus*. That was two years ago. Meanwhile, the underwriters in London, where the ship and cargo were insured, had to pay a full loss on the steamer, although the vessel was insured at the nominal price of 40s. per cent as the risk of her being sunk was thought infinitesimal. Russia, notwithstanding the action of the German Foreign Office, made no overtures in the direction of satisfying the claims of the underwriters and owner. The owner therefore took the matter in hand himself, and has at last succeeded in extracting from the Russian Government a sum sufficient to cover his loss. British underwriters also benefit, as the money they had paid in claims is to be returned.

Russia is still being pressed to pay for the sinking of several other ships, which likewise carried no contraband when overhauled. These include the Danish liner *Princess Marie*, the British steamer *Oldhamia*, the British India liner *Ikona*, sunk by the *Terek* of Admiral Rudjostevsky's fleet, and the British steamer *Knight Commander*, sunk by the *Vladivostok* squadron. Notwithstanding the action of the British Foreign Office to obtain settlement of the claim of the respective owners Russia so far has declined to give satisfaction.

LONDON TO QUEBEC IN SIX DAYS.

Reader's Agency learns that the contract with the Newfoundland Government for a new fast Atlantic service from Great Britain to Canada and the United States, via Newfoundland, is expected to pass the Colonial Legislature during the present session. In explanation of the new route, it is pointed out that there is no intention of making any port in Ireland a terminal port. This will be London, Southampton, Liverpool, or Glasgow. If however, it is so desired, it can be arranged that mails can be landed at Killybegs Bay, or some other suitable port on the west coast of Ireland. If Killybegs Bay be fixed upon, it will be necessary to construct a line sixteen miles in length, connecting Killybegs with the existing line from London to Dublin. With the completion of this new line, passengers and mails could go through from London to Killybegs, via Holyhead and Dublin, in fourteen hours.

The contract provides for the employment of three Atlantic steamers of 3,500 tons gross and a speed of service of 16 knots, but it is intended that the vessels shall be both larger and faster. From Killybegs Bay, where steamers would only remain long enough to pick up or discharge mail, the vessels would go direct to Green Bay (or, as it is called on the maps, Notre Dame Bay), a bay on the north-east coast of Newfoundland, 200 miles north of St. John's, and a distance of 1,700 miles from Killybegs Bay. At Green Bay, which will be a seven-hour run, and reached in just over four days from Killybegs, the steamer would again only remain long enough to land mails and passengers, after which the vessel would continue her voyage to St. John's, and thence to some port either in Canada or the United States, where she would discharge or embark Canadian or American cargo, returning to Green Bay in ample time to take up passengers and mails for the return weekly voyage to Europe.

Mails and passengers landing at Green Bay will not have to cross Newfoundland to the Bay of Islands, on the west coast of Newfoundland, a distance of eighty miles, this journey being accomplished in two hours, over a line which is to be built of 4ft 6in gauge. From the Bay of Islands the nearest point in Canada is Gaspé, in the province of Quebec, a journey of 275 miles across the Gulf of St. Lawrence. For this service a box, having the same speed and capacity as the new crossing the Irish Channel, would be employed, the voyage occupying twelve hours. From Gaspé a line is already being constructed which will connect that port with the existing railway systems of Canada and the United States.

By this route it is claimed that even with seventeen-knot boats Quebec would be reached from London in less than six days—a saving of nearly a day on the present average time. New York would be reached from London in 6 days 12 hrs, the record at present, by the fastest steamers, being six days from London to land. Chicago would be reached in seven days—a clear saving of twenty-four hours. In the case of Newfoundland there would be a saving of from four to five days over the present service. With the employment of boats similar to the quickest vessels now running to New York, the times (after allowing eight hours for transshipment) for the voyage from London would be as follows:

Quebec, 4 days 12 hrs.
New York, 5 days 14 hrs.

The Imperial value of the line is demonstrated by the fact that when the fastest steamers are put on the new service, the all-British route through Canada to the Far East, would be shortened by some forty-eight hours, as compared with the existing time. It is pointed out that no Irish port has been decided upon. The contract with the Newfoundland Government only stipulates for some port in Great Britain or Ireland. Killybegs has only been brought forward as it happens to be the nearest suitable point on the Irish coast to Newfoundland, but if it is desired to avoid transshipment it is declared that the mails could be landed almost as quick, if not equally so, by going direct to some point on the mainland having rapid communication with London.

LATEST NEWS MOVEMENTS.

The *str. Merionethshire* left Singapore and is due here on or about Friday, 5th April, at daylight.

The *C.P.R. str. Empress of India*, arrived Nagasaki at 7 a.m. on Thursday the 4th April and left there again at noon, some day for Shanghai where she is due to arrive at 4 p.m. to-day.

The *N.Y.K. str. Nikko Maru*, (Australian Line) left Thursday Island for this port via Manila on the 4th April, and is expected here 15th April.

THE SIEGE OF PORT ARTHUR.

The *Standard* has published a message from its St. Petersburg correspondent, who says that, in view of the fact that none of the defenders of Port Arthur are to be tried except General Stoessel and Peck and Colonel Reiss, Stoessel's chief of staff, the report made to the Emperor by Lieutenant-General Smirnov, is of deep interest. General Smirnov accuses them of having deliberately set to work to undermine the courage of the garrison, and of purposely bringing about the evacuation of vital points of the defensive lines in order to hasten a capitulation. He brands General Stoessel as a traitor, and as grossly and in every way unfit for his responsible position. His report is the principal basis of the indictment of the three officers, whom he does not hesitate to accuse of treason.

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THE LOST LIEUTENANT TRYON.

FOUND AT EDINBURGH.

Profound astonishment has been caused by the disclosure that Lieutenant Tryon, the officer of the Dorsetshire Regiment, who has been missing since Jan. 29, had been found under the assumed name of Fraser in the ranks of the Seaforth Highlanders at Edinburgh Castle. Any doubt as to his identity was set at rest by an official statement made by the colonel commanding the battalion. This announcement was in the following terms:—

"Private Fraser, who enlisted into the Seaforth Highlanders, quartered at Edinburgh, three weeks ago, has been identified as Lieut. Tryon, who absented himself without leave from his unit at Gosport. He is at present detained at Edinburgh Castle."

With the exception of this information the utmost reticence was maintained in military circles. The lieutenant was lodged under close guard in a room in the officers' quarters. It has not transpired how the identity was established, but it is understood that the colonel of "Fraser's" comrades and his own admissions were confirmed on the arrival of the anxious father in Edinburgh. Immediately afterwards the military police, who had been sent to investigate the case, returned to London satisfied that the object of their mission had been accomplished. So far as could be ascertained when the mail left London, nothing had been decided as to the nature of further procedure in the case or the date when Lieut. Tryon would be sent south. The lieutenant's movements since his disappearance from London a month ago are still wrapped in mystery. All that is known is that he had found his way to Stirling. In that garri town there is no depot of the Seaforth Highlanders, but recruits may be enrolled there for any regiment, and it was at Stirling Castle that Lieut. Tryon enlisted as a private of the Seaforths. It is certain that the man under which he enrolled does not appear in the records of the recruiting office at Edinburgh.

As a new recruit "Fraser" was sent in the usual course to his battalion at Edinburgh Castle, and there he remained up to the time of his discovery. From the first his comrades and the non-commissioned officers with whom he came into contact were impressed by his gentlemanly demeanour, and were satisfied that he did not belong to the class of deserters. For a private soldier to be generally so well liked, and to be so well liked, is a fact which is not easily explained, and which, combined with his conversation and his bearing, led his comrades to believe that he had among them a recruit of no ordinary type. "Gentleman rankers" are, however, not uncommon in the Army, and had it not been for the wide publicity given to his strange story and publication of his portrait his presence in the 8th would have passed without special comment or inquiry.

One of his comrades stated that "Fraser" was one of the smartest chaps they had had among them. He kept his own counsel, gave no hint as to his history and circumstances, and went through the day's work just like the rest of them. He gave the impression that he meant to "stick in" and see the thing through, and the belief was that if he had not been found out he would have risen in the ranks of the service. Inquiries in Stirling showed that Lieut. Tryon was seen in a hotel in that town on February 5. He sat in one of the public rooms. After staring into the fire for some time he rang the bell, and desired to have a room for the night. The lady clerk, thinking that the visitor's appearance was strange, told him that all the rooms were engaged, and that he would have to go elsewhere. The following morning he had the appearance of having spent the night in the open air. In the course of the day he got into conversation with some soldiers, one of whom suggested to a sergeant of the Argyll and Antrim Highlanders, whose depot is at Stirling, that the man was a possible recruit. An engagement was made with the sergeant, and Tryon punctually kept the appointment. He was taken to the castle, where he remained for the night, appearing next morning before the recruiting officer.

"Fraser's" appearance and manner gave rise to the suspicion that he was a deserter, but a comparison with the description of a man whose name is on the deserter's sheet showed nothing against him in that respect, and he was accepted. He gave his name as "Fraser," and described himself as a labourer from Middlesex. His age was recorded as nineteen years six months, and his height 6ft. He was posted to the Seaforth Highlanders, where he said he had some friends in the regiment. When asked if he could produce a certificate of character, he replied in the affirmative, and explained that he had been working at his trade as a plumber. A certificate of character, which arrived the day after from someone in Edinburgh, appeared satisfactory, and the medical examination having been successfully undergone, "Fraser" was duly attested. On the succeeding Saturday he left for Edinburgh. During the short time he was in Stirling Castle "Fraser," as a matter of course, did his share of coal carrying, fatigue, and barrack-room scrubbing.

MERCHANTS IN SESSION.

On March 25th the Manila Mercantile Association held a meeting at the Grand Opera House and the constitution of the organization was agreed upon.

A board of officers composed of twenty-five members was selected, as was also a committee for nominating officers, as a general election will be held next Monday.

From the board of directors a legislation and promotion committee will be appointed, and it is expected that at the next meeting the organization will have a membership of nearly two hundred. The association contemplates giving a banquet in the near future.

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ROYAL COLONIAL INSTITUTE.

The annual meeting of this institute was held on Feb. 26th at their premises in Northumberland-avenue. Sir Neville Lubbock presided, and among those present were Sir Henry Balfour, Sir Montagu Ommanney, Admiral Sir N. Gordon-Smith, Sir Hubert Jenningsham, Sir George Mackenzie, Sir Fredrick Youns, Major-General C. W. Robinson, Sir Charles Bruce, Sir Roger Barington, General Sir R. Harrison, Sir E. New Walker, and Mr. J. S. O'Halloran (secretary). The 30th annual report, presented by the council, stated that 260 candidates had been elected. Fellows during the year, as compared with 304 in 1905. On December 31st last the total number of Fellows was 4,487. The loan of £35,000 which was raised in 1886 to enable the acquisition of the freehold of the institute premises had been paid off in full. Thus the building was freed within 20 years instead of 40 years as originally stipulated. A saving of more than £15,000 was thus effected. When the Admiralty lease expired it was proposed to occupy the upper floors as well as the Craven-street premises after the necessary reconstruction. This would involve considerable outlay and an increased cost in maintenance, but the council were sanguine that additional facilities could thus be provided which would widely extend the usefulness of the institute and enlarge its scope for increased membership. The council were arranging on behalf of the institute to extend a cordial welcome to the delegates who would shortly arrive in London to take part in the Colonial Conference. The Chairman moved the adoption of the report, and pointed out that the doubling of the existing accommodation of the institute would involve an extra expenditure of nearly £2,000 per annum. He proceeded to point out that, in spite of the Empire being very much under-represented in the institute, and that while there were 1,162 Fellows from South Africa there were only 126 from Canada. Alluding to the Colonial Conference, he announced that the council had decided that this year the annual dinner should be given in honour of the Colonial Premier, and Lord Elgin had consented to take the chair. Since the close of the period covered by the report the Kingston earthquake had occurred and had occasioned a loss which a careful estimate had put down at £2,000,000. He hoped that the Government would make a grant of £150,000 towards the relief of the colony and recommend Parliament to make a loan of £1,000,000. The catastrophe showed the need of the British Government having three cruisers instead of one in West Indian waters. Sir Charles Bruce seconded the motion, which was adopted.

THE FOCHOW DOCKYARD.

The Yuchuan or Ministry of Posts and Communications, has been commanded by H.M. the Empress Dowager to carefully consider and report upon the recommendation of H.E. Chan, Acting Viceroy of Minche Province, in regard to the conversion of the Government Dockyard at the Pagoda Anchorage, Fuchien, into a mercantile concern on account of its present exhausted financial condition and other reasons. The list of the promoters of the mercantile concern is headed by H.E. Chan Panshen, formerly a high metropolitan official now at Fochow, who has been recommended as Chief Director by the Acting Viceroy should the proposed change receive the approval of the Peking Government. The proposed capital is £2,000,000 and the term of lease is fixed at twenty-five years. During this period if the concern should earn any dividend one fifth of it shall be given to the Central Government in Fuchien per annum as royalty. It is stated that as China is shortly going to reorganise her navy, the proposal may be objected to by the Government because the Dock will be required for naval purposes. But the Ministry has not sent in its reply yet.

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"INDRANI,"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 11th inst., at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no claims will be recognised.

Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 12 o'clock NOON, TO-DAY.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 4th April, 1907. 711

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, ANTWERP, LONDON, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"INABA MARU,"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before NOON, TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 11th inst. will be subject to rent.

All ship-damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, and Notice of same must be in this Office before the 14th inst., or Claims in connection therewith will not be recognised.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, 4th April, 1907. 721

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM LONDON AND ANTWERP.

THE Steamship

"MERIONETHSHIRE,"

Captain Birch, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 11th inst. will be subject to rent.

Owing to the steamer having encountered heavy weather and sustained damage, a General Average has been incurred. Consignees of Cargo will therefore have to sign the General Average Bond lying at the Office of the Undersigned before their Bills of Lading can be countersigned.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 11th inst., at 2.30 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 4th April, 1907. 720

PUBLIC COMPANIES

THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD., will be held at the Office of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., King's Buildings, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 6th April, 1907, at 12.30 o'clock in the afternoon, when the Subjoined Resolutions which were passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 20th day of March, 1907, will be submitted for Confirmation as Special Resolutions:

1. That the following alterations be made in the Articles of Association, viz:—

(a) That the words "person for the time being in charge of the business of" be inserted between the words "Manager" and the word "or" in the 4th line of Article No. 60.

(b) That the words from and including "The Senior" in the second line of Article No. 70 down to and including the words "if willing to act" in the 4th line of Article No. 70 be eliminated and the words "The Managing Director in the East of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., if willing to act or in his absence the person for the time being in charge of the business of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., in Hongkong if willing to act" be inserted instead.

(c) That the words from and including "The Senior" in the first line of Article No. 71 down to and including the words "so long as" in the third line of Article No. 71 be eliminated and the words "The Managing Director in the East of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., or in his absence the person for the time being in charge of the business of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., in Hongkong shall so long as" be inserted instead.

(d) That the words "or the Corporation he represents" be inserted between the word "he" and the word "is" in the second line of Article No. 78.

(e) That the words "or the Corporation he represents" be inserted between the word "he" and the word "is" in the first line of S. 3. 5 of Article No. 82.

2. That the above Resolution making the above changes in the Company's Articles shall come into force and take effect from and including the 1st day of May, 1907.

Dated the 20th day of March, 1907.

By Order,

E. OSBORNE, Secretary.

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THE HONGKONG COTTON SPINNING WEAVING AND DYEING CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF THE HONGKONG COTTON SPINNING, WEAVING AND DYEING COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Office of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., King's Buildings, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 6th day of April, 1907, at 12.45 o'clock in the afternoon, when the Subjoined Resolutions will be proposed:—

1. That the following alterations be made in the Articles of Association, viz:—

(a) That the words "or if the General Managers are a Limited Company that the declarant is a Managing Director, Manager, Secretary or person for the time being in charge of the business of such Company" be inserted between the word "Company" and the word "and" in the second line of s. 14 of Article No. IX.

(b) That the following words be added at the end of s. 7 of Article No. XIII, "except that the Managing Director in the East of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., or the person for the time being in charge of the business of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., in Hongkong shall be entitled to vote on behalf of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., although not individually a shareholder."

(c) That s. 1 of Article No. XV be eliminated and the following subsection inserted instead:—"Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., shall be the General Managers of the Company so long as they think fit and the Managing Director in the East of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., or in his absence the person for the time being in charge of the business of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., in Hongkong shall, if willing to do so, be the Chairman of the Company and of the Consulting Committee."

(d) That the word "Ltd." be inserted between the words "Co." and the word "who" in line 2 of s. 2 of Article No. XV.

(e) That the following words be added at the end of s. 2 (c) of Article No. XV: "by the Company in General Meeting or by the Consulting Committee."

(f) That the following words be added at the end of s. 3 of Article No. XVI: "All signatures of the General Managers may be subscribed by such person or persons as may from time to time be thereto authorized by the General Managers."

(g) That the words "or the Corporation he represents" be inserted between the word "Co." and the word "who" in line 2 of s. 3 of Article No. XVII.

(h) That the words "or the Corporation he represents" be inserted between the word "he" and the word "is" in s. 1 of s. 4 of Article No. XVII.

(i) That the word "Successors" be inserted between the word "their" and the word "heirs" in line 2 and between the words "of their" and the word "heirs" in line 5 of Article No. XX.

(j) That the words from and including "The Arbitration Act 1889" in the 3rd line of Article No. XXI down to the end of the Article be eliminated and the words "Chapter 24 of the Code of Civil Procedure in so far as such provisions are applicable to the circumstances of any particular case and to every Ordinance from time to time in force relating to references to Arbitration" be inserted instead.

2. That the above resolutions making the above changes in the Company's Articles shall come into force and take effect from and including the 1st day of May, 1907.

Should the above resolutions be passed by the required majority, they will be submitted for confirmation as special resolutions to a second extraordinary meeting which will be subsequently convened.

Dated this 28th day of March, 1907.

By Order,

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.

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PUBLIC COMPANIES

THE HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF THE HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Office of the Undersigned, at King's Buildings, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 6th April, 1907, at 12.30 o'clock in the afternoon, when the Subjoined Resolutions which were passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 21st March, 1907, will be submitted for Confirmation as Special Resolutions:

1. That the following alterations be made in the Articles of Association, viz:—

(a) That the words "Company or Corporation" be inserted between the word "person" and the word "for" in the second line of the definition of "The General Managers" in Article No. 2.

(b) That the first six lines of Article No. 7 be eliminated and also the words "the Company" in the 7th line, and that the words "Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd." shall be the General Managers of the Company and so long as they shall continue to be such General Managers the Managing Director in the East of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., or in his absence the person for the time being in charge of the business of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., in Hongkong shall be the Chairman of the Company" be inserted instead.

(c) That at the end of Article No. 13 the following words be added: "All signatures of the General Managers may be subscribed by such person or persons as may from time to time be thereto authorized by the General Managers."

(d) That the first five lines of s. 6 of Article No. 14 and also the word "Office" in the 6th line be eliminated and that the words "so long as Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. shall be the General Managers of the Company the signature of the said Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. shall be necessary to cheques drawn for any purpose on the funds of the Company at its Head Office" be inserted instead.

(e) That the word "their" be eliminated from the first line of Article No. 17 and the words "and the" inserted instead and that the words "of any General Manager" be inserted between the word "administrators" and the word "shall" in the second line of Article No. 17.

(f) That the word "their" be eliminated from the first line of Article No. 18 and the words "and the" inserted instead and that the words "of any General Manager" be inserted between the word "administrators" and the word "shall" in the second line of Article No. 18.

2. That the above Resolution making the above changes in the Company's Articles shall come into force and take effect from and including the 1st day of May, 1907.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1907. 652

THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE LIMITED, will be held at the Office of the Undersigned, at King's Buildings, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 6th day of April, 1907, at 12.30 o'clock in the afternoon, when the Subjoined Resolutions which were passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 2nd April, 1907, will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions:

1. That the following alterations be made in the Articles of Association, viz:—

(a) That the definition of "Jardine, Matheson & Co." be eliminated from Article No. 2.

(b) That Article No. 10 be eliminated.

(c) That Article No. 11 be eliminated and the following Article be inserted instead:—"Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., shall be and they are hereby appointed the General Agents of the Company so long as they shall hold two or more Shares in the Company and the Managing Director in the East of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., shall be and they are hereby appointed the General Agents of the Company in the East of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., or in his absence the person for the time being in charge of the business of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., in Hongkong shall be the Chairman of the Company."

(d) That the words "or the Corporation he represents" be inserted between the word "he" and the word "is" in s. 1 of Art. No. 18.

(e) That at the end of Article No. 35 the following words be added: "And when any Share or Shares are or are held by a Public Company or Corporation the Secretary, Manager person for the time being in charge of the business of or Agent of such Public Company or Corporation shall be entitled to vote for such Public Company or Corporation."

(f) That at the end of Article No. 103 the following words be added: "All signatures of the General Agents may be subscribed by such person or persons as may from time to time be thereto authorized by the General Agents."

(g) That the words "or the" be inserted at the end of line 2 of Article No. 109 and the words "members of the firm of" be eliminated from the third line of Article No. 109 and the words "a shareholder of Messrs." be inserted instead and that the word "Ltd." be inserted between the word "Co." and the word "or" in the 4th line of Article No. 109.

(h) That the words "and to the Common Law Procedure Act 1854 and every or any act from time to time in force and applicable thereto" be eliminated from Article No. 136.

(i) That the word "ten" be eliminated from the 5th line of Article No. 14 and the word "Fifteen" inserted instead.

2. That the above Resolution making the above changes in the Company's Articles shall come into force and take effect from and including the 1st day of May, 1907.

Dated the 2nd day of April, 1907.

By Order,

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Agents.

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PUBLIC COMPANIES

THE CHINA SUGAR REFINING CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF THE CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Office of the Undersigned, at King's Buildings, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 13th day of April, 1907, at 12.45 o'clock in the afternoon, when the Subjoined Resolutions which were passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 27th of March, 1907, will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions:

1. That the following alterations be made in the Articles of Association, viz:—

(a) That the definition of "Jardine, Matheson & Co." be eliminated from Article No. 2.

(b) That Article No. 7 be eliminated.

(c) That Article No. 8 be eliminated and the following Article be inserted instead:—"Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., shall be and they are hereby appointed the General Agents of the Company and the Managing Director in the East of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., or in his absence the person for the time being in charge of the business of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., in Hongkong shall be the Chairman of the Company."

(d) That at the end of Article No. 14 the following words be added: "And all signatures of the General Agents may be subscribed by such person or persons as may from time to time be thereto authorized by the General Agents."

(e) That the word "their" in the first line of Article No. 22 be eliminated and the words "and the" inserted instead and that the words "of any General Agent" be inserted between the word "administrators" and the word "shall" in the second line of Article No. 22.

(f) That the words "and each of them, his" in the first line of Article No. 23 be eliminated and the words "and the" inserted instead and that the words "of any General Agent" be inserted between the word "administrators" and the word "shall" in s. 1 of Article No. 3.

(g) That the words "or the Corporation he represents" be inserted between the word "he" and the word "is" in s. 1 of Article No. 37.

(h) That at the end of Article No. 93 the following words be added: "And when any share or shares are or are held by a Public Company or Corporation the Secretary Manager person for the time being in charge of the business of or agent of such Company or Corporation shall be entitled to vote for such Company or Corporation."

2. That the above Resolution making the above changes in the Company's Articles shall come into force and take effect from and including

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AUCTION.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 8th day of April, 1907, at 3 P.M., at the Office of the Public Auctioneer, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of One Lot of Crown Land on South side of new road from Queen's Gardens to Magazine Gap Road and about 300 yards East of "Clavely," in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years. 671

PARTICULARS OF THE LOTS.

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
ARCADIA, British str., 3,514, J. H. Hild, 4th April—Singapore 30th March, Mails and General—P. & O. S. N. Co.
BENALDE, British str., 1,558, R. W. Thomson, 4th April—Singapore 29th March, General—Gibb, Livingstone & Co.
CHURCHMAN, British str., 1,417, Cox, 4th April—Kochi 29th March, Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
FURUKA, British str., 4,074, B. W. Snow, 4th April—London 18th Feb., General—P. & O. S. N. Co.
INDOMENUS, British str., 4,250, H. Nish, 4th April—Singapore 29th March, General—Butterfield & Swire.
ISABU MARU, Japanese str., 3,738, Wm. Bainbridge, 4th April—Singapore 29th March, General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
INDRANI, British str., 3,255, McFarlane, 4th April—Singapore 29th March, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
MALTA, British str., 3,859, R. A. Peters, 4th April—Shanghai 2nd April, General—P. & O. S. N. Co.
MERIONTHORPE, British str., 1,850, C. H. Durell, 4th April—London 18th Feb., General—Shewan, Tomes & Co.
PHILANG, German str., 1,021, E. v. Mangoldt, 4th April—Bangkok 27th March, Rice and Wood—Butterfield & Swire.
RUKHANA, Ger. str., 4,034, L. von Hoff, 3rd April—Hamburg 21st Feb., General—Hamburg Amerika Linie.
SOPHIE RICKMERS, German str., 2,262, H. Kuhn, 3rd April—Mol 25th March, Coals—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
VICTORIA, Swedish str., 380, H. Heller, 4th April—Saigon 29th March, Rice—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
WUHU, British str., 1,227, John Ceyan, 3rd April—Saigon 29th March, Rice—Butterfield & Swire.

CLEARANCES.

At the Harbour Master's Office.
 April 4th.
Daiya Maru, Japanese str., for Moji.
Hino, British str., for Saigon.
Indra, British str., for Shanghai.
Phoenix, British str., for Saigon.

DEPARTURES.

April 4th.
ANDY, German str., for Quilba.
ANSHIN, German str., for Canton.
ARCADIA, British str., for Shanghai.
BOULBON, French str., for Saigon.
CHUNSHING, British str., for Canton.
CHONGAN, British str., for Shanghai.
FLORA, British str., for Amoy.
HOLMBERG, German str., for Hongkong.
KUHLING, British str., for Shanghai.
LUNDAS, Swedish str., for Saigon.
MEKPOO, Chinese str., for Shanghai.
MONMOUTH, British str., for Misa Bay.
OMOTO MARU, Japanese str., for Saigon.
PROVIDENCE, Norwegian str., for Hongkong.
RIOTUN MARU, Japanese str., for Yokohama.
SHANGHAI, British str., for Canton.
TAMSU, British str., for Chinkiang.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The J. panese str. **Indra Maru** reports: Mod. N. E. breeze throughout.
 The British str. **Wuhu** reports: Strong monsoon and cloudy.
 The British str. **Indra** reports: Moderate to strong N. E. wind with moderate sea dull and overcast.

VESSELS PASSED ANJER.

Mar. 14, British str. **Indra**, Pock, Mar. 12, from Singapore for London.
 Mar. 14, Dutch str. **Mulang**, Kijne, Feb. 4, from Rotterdam for Batavia.
 Mar. 16, British str. **Rajah**, Morgan, Feb. 4, from Calcutta for Batavia.
 Mar. 16, Norwegian str. **Sveig**, Provih, Mar. 14, from Tjilatjap for Batavia.
 Mar. 16, German str. **Reichenbach**, Muller, Dec. 29, from Hamburg for Batavia.
 Mar. 20, Dutch str. **Timor**, Koop, Jan. 10, from Amsterdam for Batavia.
 Mar. 20, Dutch str. **Gede**, Udemar, Mar. 20, from Batavia for Rotterdam.
 Mar. 20, British str. **Dioned**, Farrille, Mar. 20, from Batavia for Amsterdam.
 Mar. 21, Dutch str. **Elveng**, Barand, Jan. 2, from Amsterdam via Liverpool for Batavia.
 Mar. 23, Dutch str. **Wita**, Bayhus, Feb. 16, from Rotterdam for Batavia.
 Mar. 23, British str. **Island**, Wright, Mar. 21, from Christmas Island for Singapore.
 Mar. 24, Norwegian str. **Sjillevad**, Jonsson, Mar. 2, from Bangkok for Azores.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

April 4th.
ABERDEEN DOCKS.—**Sorsogon**, Z. Y. de Aldecoa, Emerande, Sophy, Tjilatjap, Rabis, Chingfa, Nanning, Longf, Empress of India, H.M.S. **Brooke**, **Longf**.
WATERLOO DOCKS.—**Mathilde**.

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 Hongkong, 4th April, 1907. 707

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 Agents.
 Hongkong, 19th March, 1907. 602

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessel, the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked "k." nearest Hongkong "h." midway between Hongkong and Kowloon "m." and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf "l.w." together with the number denoting the section.

SECTIONS.

1 From Green Island to the Harbour Master's. 2 From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier. 3 From Blake Pier to Naval Yard. 4 From Naval Yard to East Point

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & REG.	BERTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON &c. VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL	MALTA	Brit. str.	—	R. A. Peters	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-morrow, at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP	RECONSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	—	SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.	About 10th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	NILE	Brit. str.	—	E. P. Martin	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 10th inst.
MARSEILLES, ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG	SUEVIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Selmer	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 10th inst.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE, COPENHAGEN, &c.	STIRRIEN	Dan. str.	—	—	MELCHERS & Co.	About 19th inst.
MARSEILLES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL	POLYNESIEN	Franch. str.	—	Broc	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 16th inst., at 1 A.M.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE, ANTWERP & HAMBURG	SENEGAMBIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Eckhorn	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 20th May.
REPMEN VIA PORTS OF CALL	ZIETEN	Ger. str.	—	R. Meyer	MELCHERS & Co.	On 10th inst., at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	DELAVANIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Hildebrandt	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 17th inst.
HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	BRISGAVIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Gieseler	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 14th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SEGAVIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Solofeldt	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 24th inst., P.M.
TRIESTE, &c. VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PEKIA	Aus. str.	—	Belfort	SANDER, WILKES & Co.	To-day.
NAPLES, LISBON, PLYMOUTH, HAVRE & HAMBURG	HAMBURG	Ger. str.	k.w.	Filler	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 3rd May.
NAPLES, PLYMOUTH, HAVRE & HAMBURG	RHENANIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	v. Hoff	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 29th May.
NAPLES, PLYMOUTH, HAVRE & HAMBURG	HOHENSTAUFEN	Ger. str.	k.w.	Jäger	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	About 12th inst.
NEW YORK VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	ALBINGA	Am. str.	—	—	SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.	Quick despatch.
NEW YORK	MONTESE	Am. str.	—	—	DODWELL & Co., Ltd.	About 20th inst.
SAN FRANCISCO	APALACHEE	Brit. str.	—	—	SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.	On 11th inst., at 4 P.M.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI JAPAN, &c.	EXPRESS OF CHINA	Brit. str.	2 m.	R. Archibald	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.	On 1st inst., at Noon.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI JAPAN, &c.	ATHESIAN	Brit. str.	1 m.	Copner	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.	On 18th inst.
VICTORIA (V.C.) & TACOMA VIA JAPAN	LYRA	Am. str.	—	H. C. Armstrong	DODWELL & Co., Ltd.	On 25th inst., at Noon.
CALLAO, IQUIQUE, VIA JAPAN PORTS, &c.	KASATO MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On 25th inst., at Noon.
SALINA CRUZ, MEXICO, VIA MOJI, JAPAN	POWATAN	Brit. str.	—	W. F. Turner	ESQ. HON. FONG & Co.	On 2nd inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	CHANGSHA	Brit. str.	1 m.	T. Moore	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 10th inst., at 4 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	MANILA	Brit. str.	—	J. Minson	MELCHERS & Co.	On 25th inst., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA TIMOR	EMPIRE	Brit. str.	—	Helms	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.	On 27th inst., at Noon.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	MANILA	Brit. str.	—	J. Minson	MELCHERS & Co.	About 5th inst.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	1 m.	W. B. Brown	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 9th inst., at 4 P.M.
JAPAN	TJUDAS	Dan. str.	—	Zwart	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINIE	Quick despatch.
CHEFOO & NEWCHWANG	KWONGSANG	Brit. str.	1 m.	Dowling	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 10th inst., at 4 P.M.
CHEFOO & NEWCHWANG	NACHANG	Brit. str.	1 m.	J. Warrack	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 18th inst., at 4 P.M.
TIENTSIN	CHIFSHING	Brit. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.	On 7th inst., Daylight.
TIENTSIN	HUGHOW	Brit. str.	1 m.	E. Forsyth	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 11th inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	FORMOSA	Brit. str.	—	B. W. H. Snow	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 4th inst.
SHANGHAI	ARCADIA	Brit. str.	—	A. L. Valentini	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 4th inst.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	RHENANIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	—	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	To-day.
SHANGHAI	SHAHSING	Brit. str.	1 m.	F. W. Northcombe	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 8th inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, MOJI, &c.	GEOFFRY APCAR	Brit. str.	—	S. H. Bolton	DAVID SASSON & Co., Ltd.	On 8th inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	P. E. FRIEDRICH	Ger. str.	—	E. Malchow	MELCHERS & Co.	About 10th inst.
SHANGHAI	KWONGSANG	Brit. str.	—	W. P. Baker	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.	On 7th inst., Daylight.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KWELIN	Brit. str.	—	H. A. Hards	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 12th inst., at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI, CHINGWANGTAO, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	SENEGAMBIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	—	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 15th inst.
TAMSU VIA SWATOW & AMOY	SIAM	Dan. str.	—	—	MELCHERS & Co.	About First Half of May.
AMOI & MANILA	JOHN MARU	Jap. str.	—	H. S. Smith	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 7th inst., at 9 A.M.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	RUBI	Brit. str.	—	R. Almond	SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.	To-day, at 5 P.M.
SWATOW, AMOI & FOCHOW	HOIHOW	Brit. str.	1 m.	W. P. Bryner	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 2 P.M.
MANILA	HAICHING	Brit. str.	—	A. E. Hodgins	DOUGLAS LAURIE & Co.	On 9th inst., at 11 A.M.
MANILA	YUENSANG	Brit. str.	—	T. Mayrick	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.	To-morrow, at 4 P.M.
MANILA	TAMING	Brit. str.	1 m.	A. W. Outerbridge	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 9th inst., at 4 P.M.
MANILA	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	—	—	SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.	On 13th inst., at Noon.
CEBU & LOILO	SUNGKANG	Brit. str.	1 m.	Ponsfather	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 4 P.M.
KUAT & SANDAKAN	KUNANG	Ger. str.	—	E. Sembl	MELCHERS & Co.	On 1st May, at 9 A.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	KUNANG	Ger. str.	—	E. J. Baller	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.	To-morrow, at 3 P.M.
SINGAPORE & BOMBAY	ISTOK	Aus. str.	—	Belaito	SANDER, WILKES & Co.	On 14th inst.
BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE & PENANG	CAPRI	Ital. str.	—	—	CARLOWITZ & Co.	On 11th inst., at Noon.

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PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE (FORMOSA and YOKOHAMA)	Capt. B. W. H. Snow	About 4th April	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI	ARCADIA	About 4th April	Freight and Passage.
LONDON, &c., via USUAL PORTS	Capt. R. A. Peters	Noon, 6th April	See Special of Call.
LONDON and ANTWERP	NILE	About 10th April	Freight and Passage.
VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSEILLES	Capt. E. P. Martin	April	Freight and Passage.

For further Particulars, apply to E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 2nd April, 1907.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SWATOW and SHANGHAI	"HOIHOW"	On 5th April, 2 P.M.
CEBU and ILOILO	"SUNGKIANG"	On 5th April, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"SHAOHSING"	On 8th April, 4 P.M.
YOKOHAMA and KOBE	"CHINGTU"	On 8th April, 4 P.M.
MANILA	"TAMING"	On 8th April, 4 P.M.
CHEFOO and NEWCHWANG	"KWEIYANG"	On 10th April, 4 P.M.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, DALWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOK TOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"CHANGSHA"	On 10th April, 4 P.M.
TIENSTIN	"HUICHOW"	On 11th April, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"KWEILIN"	On 12th April, 4 P.M.
CHEFOO and NEWCHWANG	"NANCHANG"	On 18th April, 4 P.M.

* The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivaled Table. A daily qualified Surgeon is carried.

† Taking Cargo on through bills of lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports and other A. & S. Ports.

REDUCED SALOON FARES, SINGLE AND RETURN, TO MANILA AND AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS.

Hongkong, 4th April, 1907.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD BREMEN. IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINES.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
NAPLES, GENOA, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP and BREMEN	"ZIETEN"	Wed., 10th April at Noon.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH"	About Wed., 10th April.
MANILA, NEW GUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"MANILA"	Thu., 25th April at Noon.
YOKOHAMA and KOBE	"MANILA"	About Fri., 5th April.
KUDAT and SANDAKAN	"BORNEO"	Wed., 1st May at 9 A.M.

For further Particulars, apply to NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MELOHERS & CO., GENERAL AGENTS, HONGKONG & CHINA.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1907.



OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE BETWEEN HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS AND FORMOSA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	THE CO.'S S.S.	LEAVING
TAMSAI VIA SWATOW and AMOY	"JOSHIN MARU"	SUNDAY, 7th April, at 9 A.M.

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† Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

For Freight, Passage, and further information, apply at the Company's local Branch Office, at Second Floor, No. 1, Queen's Buildings.

Hongkong, 30th March, 1907.

T. ABIMA, Manager.

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THE ONLY LINE THAT MAINTAINS A REGULAR SCHEDULE SERVICE OF UNDER 11 DAYS Across the Pacific to the "EMPERESS LINE." Saving 5 to 10 days' Ocean Travel. 11 DAYS YOKOHAMA to VANCOUVER. 18 DAYS HONGKONG to VANCOUVER.

PROPOSED SAILINGS (Subject to Alteration).	Tons	LEAVES HONGKONG	ARRIVES VANCOUVER
R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF CHINA"	6,000	THURSDAY, 11th April	29th April
"ATHENIAN"	3,882	WEDNESDAY, 1st May	25th May
"EMPERESS OF INDIA"	6,000	THURSDAY, 9th May	27th May
"EMPERESS OF JAPAN"	6,163	WEDNESDAY, 22nd May	15th June
"TARTAR"	4,425	THURSDAY, 6th June	24th June
		WEDNESDAY, 19th June	13th July

"EMPERESS" Steamers will depart from HONGKONG at 4 P.M.

THE Quickest route to CANADA, UNITED STATES and EUROPE, calling at SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI (through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN), KOBE, YOKOHAMA and VICTORIA, B.C. Connecting at VANCOUVER with a Special Mail Express, and at St. JOHN, N.B. with the Co.'s NEW PALATIAL "EMPERESS" Steamships, 14,500 tons register. The through transit to LIVERPOOL being 23 days from YOKOHAMA and 23 days from HONGKONG.

Hongkong to London, 1st Class, via St. Lawrence 280; via New York 262. Intermediate on Steamers, and 1st Class Railways, 240, 242.

R.M.S. "MONTEAGLE," "TARTAR" and "ATHENIAN" carry Intermediate passengers only, at Intermediate rates, affording superior accommodation for that class. Passengers Booked through to all points and around the WORLD.

SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

For further information, Maps, Routes, Handbooks, Rates of Freight and Passage, apply to D. W. CRADDOCK, General Traffic Agent for China, Corner Pedder Street and Praya opposite Blake Pier.

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JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN

REGULAR THREE-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN
JAVA, CHINA AND JAPAN.

STEAMER	FROM	EXPARTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE FOR	ON OR ABOUT
TJIBODAS	JAVA	First half of April	JAPAN	First half of April
TJIPANAS	JAPAN	First half of April	JAVA PORTS	Second half of April
TJILIWONG	JAPAN	Second half of April	JAVA PORTS	Second half of April
TJIMAH	JAPAN	Second half of April	JAVA PORTS	Second half of April
TJILATJAP	JAPAN	First half of June	JAVA PORTS	First half of June

The Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherlands-Indian ports on through Bills of Lading.

For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to the

York Buildings, 1st Floor.
Hongkong, 29th March, 1907.

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

Telephone No. 375.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH



AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE & BOMBAY.

(In close connection at Bombay with the Company's accelerated line to Trieste, taking cargo at through rates to Trieste, Fiume, Venice, Black Sea, Levant, Adriatic, Persian Gulf and Red Sea Ports.)

THE Company's Steamship

"ISTOK,"

will be despatched as above on SUNDAY, the 14th inst.

For Freight please apply to SANDER, WIELER & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd April, 1907.



AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR

FIUME AND TRIESTE (DIRECT). Calling at SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, KARACHI, ADEN, SUEZ and PORT SAID. (Taking Cargo at through rates to the Brazils, to South Africa, Persian Gulf, Red Sea, Black Sea, Levant, Venice and Adriatic Ports.)

THE Company's Steamship

"PERSIA,"

Captain Belsayer, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 24th inst., P.M. This Steamer has special accommodation for passengers, electric light and carries a doctor.

For information as to Passage and Freight, apply to

SANDER, WIELER & Co., Agents.

Princes Buildings.

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